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Subject: RE: Haystack Mines Site TCRA Progress Report (September 17 to October 15, 2018)

Steve,

At the time of the issuance of the AOC, it was our understanding that BLM owns the surface and mineral rights to the southeast quarter of Section 13 but that the BIA actually administers the parcel. Accordingly, we coordinated access with the BIA and were granted access to this area of the site in a letter dated July 23, 2018. However, Ken Rhame indicated in July 2018 that permission may also be needed from the Navajo Nation to access this area. Consequently, Vivian Crain contacted the Navajo Land Department and was informed that this portion of the site is a Navajo Trust Land. Vivian recommended that we contact Mr. Mike Halona (Department Manager III with the Navajo Land Department in Window Rock, Arizona) for information about access requirements. We called Mr. Halona's office numerous times and left messages with staff members but have not heard back. In early September, we sent an email to Ms. Bidtah Becker (Executive Director for the Navajo Nation Division of Natural Resources), per Vivian's recommendation, to get some feedback on access requirements/approval process. We have not heard back from Ms. Becker.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Mike

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